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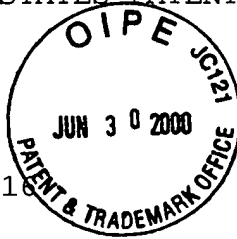
In re Application of

Heath et al.

Serial No.: 08/699,716

Filed: August 27, 1996

For: Recombinant F1-V Plague Vaccine



Examiner: Duffy, P.

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June 29, 2000

RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 1, 2000 in the subject application the date for response hereby extended to include today's date by petition and payment of the proper fee herewith.

Kindly amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly amend the specification as follows.

Page 16, line 1, kindly delete "Antigua strain of Y.

pestis" and replace with --pigmentation negative derivative

(Pgm) of Y. Pestis C092" --.